

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

THE APPLICATION OF:

BOBBY R. BRADY, ET. AL.

APPLICATION NO.: 09/886,073

FILED: JUNE 21, 2001

FOR: STEAM DISTRIBUTION RING FOR SPINNING MACHINES

CASE NO.: RD8005 US NA

GROUP ART UNIT: 1722

EXAMINER: JOSEPH LEYSON

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 14, 2003

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 14, 2003, the period for response having been extended by three months by a Petition for Extension of Time filed concurrently herewith, please amend the claims as follows and consider the following remarks: